SUBCHAPTER D—PROCUREMENT, PROPERTY, PATENTS, AND CONTRACTS

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§ 736.1 General.

Real and personal property under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Navy, exclusive of battleships, aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers, and submarines (referred to as warships in this part) and certain public domain lands and mineral interests, may be disposed of under the authority contained in the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 377), as amended (40 U.S.C. 471), in this part referred to as the Federal Property Act.

The Federal Property Act places the responsibility for the disposition of excess and surplus property located in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands with the Administrator of General Services, and for disposition of such property located in foreign areas, with the head of each executive agency. The Act of August 10, 1956 (70A Stat. 451; 10 U.S.C. 7304, 7305, 7307) and Executive Order 11765 of January 21, 1974, (39 FR 2577) provide authority for the disposal of warships as well as other vessels stricken from the Naval Vessel Register. The United States Maritime Commission, however, is authorized to dispose of surplus vessels, other than warships, or 1,500 gross tons or more which the Commission determines to be merchant vessels or capable of conversion to merchant use (40 U.S.C. 484(i)). Accordingly, in disposing of its property, the Department of the Navy is subject to applicable regulations of the Administrator of General Services and the Secretary of Defense, and, in regard to potential merchant vessels other than warships, to determinations of the United States Maritime Commission. In general, property of the Department of the Navy, which becomes excess to its needs, may not be disposed of to the general public until it has been determined to be surplus after screening such property with the other military departments of the Department of Defense and all other agencies of the Government, and after it has been offered for donation to educational institutions, and law enforcement and marine research activities.

(a) Within the limitations indicated in the introductory paragraph of this section, the Department of the Navy is authorized to sell its surplus personal property under the authority of the Federal Property Act and the Act of August 10, 1956 (70A Stat. 451; 10 U.S.C. 7305), and to report its real property,

when excess to the needs of the Department of Defense, to the General Services Administration for ultimate disposition by that agency or the Department of the Navy. The Department of the Navy is also authorized to transfer real and personal property to other departments or agencies of the Government, and to sell, transfer and otherwise dispose of certain vessels and other personal property under special statutory authority. Ships other than warships are sold pursuant to the Federal Property Act (40 U.S.C. 484(i)) by the U.S. Maritime Commission if over 1500 gross tons and determined by the Maritime Commission to be merchant vessels or capable of conversion to merchant use. In certain cases, Navy vessels and other property may be transferred or otherwise made available to other agencies without reimbursement (sec. 616, 73 Stat. 381; 40 U.S.C. 483a).

- (b) This part sets forth the general procedures and authority with respect to the disposition of property under the control of the Department of the Navy except disposition of property to foreign governments under the authority of such statutes as the Aid to American Republics Act (54 Stat. 396; 22 U.S.C. 521) and the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951 (65 Stat. 644; 22 U.S.C. 1611–1613c).
- (c) The Department of Defense Material Disposition Manual and directives issued by the Department of the Navy cover the disposition of all property of the Department including disposition under the Federal Property Act. The Defense Material Disposition Manual is available on the internet www.drms.dla.mil. Section XXIV Navy Procurement Directives contains similar information applicable to the disposition of contractor inventory. These publications are available for inspection at the offices of the Commandants of the several Naval Districts; and at various Navy and Marine Corps installations.

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§ 736.2 Dispositions under contracts.

(a) Contractor inventory (that is, personal property acquired by a con-

tractor under terms vesting title in the Government but in excess of the amount required for performance of a contract) may be sold to the contractor or otherwise disposed of in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the contract and applicable Navy instructions. See also parts 8 and 13 and §§ 30.2 and 30.3 of this title.

- (b) Industrial and plant equipment provided by the Government to a contractor for the performance of a contract may, subject to applicable statutory authority and Navy instructions be disposed of in accordance with the applicable contract terms and conditions.
- (c) Transfer to nonprofit education or research institutions of title to equipment purchased with funds available for grants or contracts for the conduct of basic or applied research is authorized by the act of September 6, 1958 (sec. 2, 72 Stat. 1793; 42 U.S.C. 1892) and implementing regulations (§§ 13.800 to 13.803 of this title).

§736.3 Sale of personal property.

- (a) The sale of personal property determined to be surplus or foreign excess or for exchange purposes is authorized by the Federal Property Act and regulations of the Administrator of General Services (see §736.1(a)). Certain vessels stricken from the Naval Vessel Register may be sold under the act of August 19, 1956, (70A Stat. 451, 10 U.S.C. 7305).
- (b) Sales are by sealed bid, auction. spot bid or, under limited conditions prescribed by law, negotiated method. A deposit, generally 20 percent of the amount bid, is normally required of each bidder. Awards are usually made to the highest acceptable bidder. Normally property may not be removed from Government control until full payment is made. Arrangements must be made by the successful bidder to remove the property within the time limit prescribed in the invitation to bid or sales contract. The Government reserves the right to withdraw any property from sale when in the best interest of the Government.
- (1) The Department of Defense has a contact point for any person interested in purchasing surplus Department of Defense personal property within the